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**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3 with the following amended paragraph:

~~The present embodiments may be further understood and/or can also be utilized with the embodiments described in co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. This~~  
application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/814,598, filed March 30, 2004, to Chaves et al., entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LAMP, which claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of both provisional Application No. 60/470,691, filed May 13, 2003, to Miñano, entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LIGHT-BULB SUBSTITUTE, and provisional Application No. 60/520,951, filed November 17, 2003, to Falicoff et al., entitled COLOR-MIXING COLLIMATOR, each of provisional Application Nos. 60/470,691 and 60/520,951 being incorporated herein by reference in their entirety; and this application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/461,557, filed June 12, 2003, to Miñano, et al., entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LIGHT-BULB SUBSTITUTE, and U.S. Patent which claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of provisional Application No. 60/470,691, filed May 13, 2003, to Miñano, entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LIGHT-BULB SUBSTITUTE, each of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/461,557 and provisional Application No. 60/470,691 being incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.